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In re Application of

Niichi ITOH

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: Examiner: L.C. Thai

For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE, DESIGNING METHOD AND DESIGNING DEVICE
THEREOF

PETITION FOR WITHDRAWAL FROM ISSUE (37 CFR 1.313)

Mail Stop 313(c)
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

1. Applicant hereby petitions for the withdrawal of this application from issue.
2. The issue fee for this case
 - (a) has NOT been paid, but is due for payment on .
 - (b) has been paid on August 20, 2003.
3. This application is scheduled to
 - (a) issue on .
 - (b) as patent .
4. The reason for the request for withdrawal from issue is:
 - (a) there has been a mistake on the part of the Office.
 - (b) there has been a violation of Section 1.56, or illegality in the application.
 - (c) one or more of the claims are un-patentable.
 - (d) for purposes of declaring an interference.

(e) other.

5. Further details as to the reason(s) for this withdrawal request are set forth on the attached sheet(s).
6. The petition fee (37 CFR 1.17(i)) is paid as follows:
 - (a) Enclosed is a check in the sum of \$130.00.
 - (b) Charge Account 500417 the sum of \$130.00. A duplicate of this petition is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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REASONS FOR PETITION TO WITHDRAWAL FROM ISSUE

Applicant is filing a Request for Continued Examination and an Information Disclosure Statement in order to have references considered by the Examiner.